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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No. 09/651,842	Applicant(s) PERES, ELIANA	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 August 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 and 12-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 and 12-17 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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Claims 1-9 and 12-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Scope of limitation of the following claim language is not clear:

1. "camping on the communications pathway". It is not clear what camping means.
2. "redirecting the communication". It is not clear to where and through which communication path the communications are redirected.

Further, it is not clear whether the originating device or the destination device take the alternate action. It appears that the action of call back and camping are taken by the destination device and not by the originating device as recited.

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claim 1-9 and 12-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fijolek (USP 6,223,222) in view of Salihi (USP 5,077,791) and Gehr (USP 5,828,847).

Fijolek teaches claim combination set forth in the previous Office (mailed 5/12/2004). Call back, queuing (camping) and redirect are well know alternatives when communication paths are not available. Gehr teaches redirect (lines 33-35 column 2) and Salihi teaches call back and queuing denied requests if the request for communication resources is denied because the resources are not available (lines 6-11 column 5). It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to

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incorporate the alternatives as taught by Salihi and Gehr so that communication between the originating device and destination device is possible.

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 8 and 12 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to DAVID Y. ENG at telephone number 571-272-3984.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Y. Eng', with a stylized, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

DAVID Y. ENG
PRIMARY EXAMINER